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SERIOUS VIENNA RIOTS.

MANY SHOPS PILLAGED.

HIGH BRITISH OFFICIAL ROBBED.

VIENNA, December 2.

Serious rioting estimated to have caused several milliard crowns worth of damage was the sequel to a demonstration by 35,000 workmen outside the Parliament house against the cost of living. The demonstrators presented a series of drastic demands with a view to alleviating conditions after which they got out of hand and attacked nearly all the cafes in the inner city and main suburban streets, necessitating their closing up for a considerable period. A large number of shops were pillaged. Much havoc was wrought in the leading hotels, including the Bristol where the rioters penetrated to the guests' rooms and stole property. The victims included Sir William Goode, Chairman of the Austrian Reparations Committee, whose room was forced while he and friends were within. Nearly all his clothes and belongings were taken under his eyes. Four hundred arrests were made. The Social Democrat leaders warned their adherents to desist from further demonstrations which they attribute to the irresponsible elements.

NAVAL HOLIDAY OVERSIGHT.

CAPITAL SHIP PRINCIPLE NOT AFFECTED.

LONDON, December 2.

A special Washington message states that the *Morning Post's* Washington correspondent was responsible for the report of the discovery of the oversight in the drafting of Mr. Hughes' naval holiday proposals (mentioned in our earlier cable). The correspondent says that the modifications necessary relate entirely to the naval holiday and do not affect the principle agreed upon as regards capital ship tonnage.

LEASED CHINESE TERRITORY.

WASHINGTON, December 2.

The Far Eastern Committee has referred China's request for withdrawal of troops to a drafting committee headed by Senator Root for further study. Probably the question will be continued at another meeting of the nine powers committee to-morrow when special spheres of influence and leased territory may also be taken up.

MAIN ISSUES.

Shantung and the naval ratio continue to be the main issues at the conference. While, as expected, a conference of the big three on the ratio settlement could not actually be arranged yesterday, Baron Kato and Mr. Balfour had a long private discussion. All three later exhaustively examined reports submitted by the respective naval experts. It now seems likely that settlement of both questions may be delayed owing to the departure of Mr. Balfour to-morrow for New York for two ceremonial dinners and to his not returning before Tuesday night. Discussions are proceeding to-day.

BRITISH HARMONY.

WASHINGTON, December 3.

The Dominions representatives are actively co-operating with the British delegation. Mr. Balfour is especially gratified with the perfect harmony in which the whole delegation is working. No decision is reached without common consultation on every question.

GERMAN FINANCIAL PROBLEM.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT WORRIED.

LONDON, December 2.

In connection with the Paris message yesterday, Sir John Bradbury, British Reparations Commission delegate, has denied authorship of the moratorium scheme. The French Government is apparently hastily drafting its own plan for meeting the German financial problem. M. Briand is reported to have discussed it with M. Loucheur in the train en-route to Paris from Havre.

ENEMY DEBTS.

Berlin, December 2.

The *Local-Anzeiger* shows that apart from indemnities Germany is finding difficulty in meeting clearing house demands in connection with the payment of enemy debts and has not yet paid the 91,000,000 gold marks due. The Government has sent a representative to Paris to discuss the matter with the Allies.

FIRM FRENCH NOTE.

PARIS, December 2.

The Reparations Commission has sent a firm note to Germany on account of non-reply to the question regarding the mode of payment of the next two indemnity instalments.

LANDRU LODGES APPEAL.

DEATH SENTENCE FIGHT.

PARIS, December 2.

Landru, who was sentenced to death for murder and forgery has lodged an appeal.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/7 7/8.
To-day's opening rate 2/7 7/8.

DERRY JAIL SENSATION.

SINN FEIN RESCUE ATTEMPT FAILS.

TWO CONSTABLES DEAD.

LONDON, December 2.

A daring attempt to rescue Sinn Fein political prisoners at Derry Jail by means of rope ladders and motor cars failed after a fierce conflict between the police and the prisoners' would-be rescuers. Two constables were found dead. They had been hand-cuffed and apparently chloroformed. Two warders and three civilians have been detained.

CABINET'S IRISH PROPOSALS.

SINN FEIN ENVOYS RETURN.

LONDON, December 2.

Sinn Fein envoys have left for Dublin carrying the final draft of the Cabinet's proposals which it is understood are probably Dominion status for the 26 counties in the south and west, Ulster to have the option of applying for inclusion in an all-Ireland parliament later, allegiance on lines of the Dominions within the Empire, a commission to be established to determine the political and religious frontiers of Tyrone and Fermanagh with power to decide on a plebiscite.

CHINA'S DEBTS.

PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN.

New York, December 2.

The Chinese Government is paying the interest due on December 1 on the \$5,500,000 loan from the Pacific Development Company and is arranging to pay the principal in 90 days.

TARRAR AND FEATHERED.

BRITISH MISSIONARY'S ORDEAL.

MIAMI, FLORIDA, December 2.

The British consul has been instructed to investigate the tarring and feathering of the Rev. Mr. Irvin, a British missionary whom his assailants accused of preaching social equality and intermarriage between blacks and whites.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS BORROW.

£5,135,000 LOAN IN LONDON.

LONDON, December 2.

A Straits Settlements loan of £5,135,000 at 6 per cent for 15 to 30 years currency price ninety-seven is being underwritten.

REUTER MAN DEAD.

FORMER JAPAN REPRESENTATIVE.

LONDON, December 2.

The death is announced of Mr. H. W. Linford, former Reuter representative in Japan.

BRIAND HOME.

PARIS, December 2.

M. Briand has arrived here from Washington.

AMERICA'S ALLIED DEBTS.

SENATE LEADERS' DECISION.

WASHINGTON, December 2.

It is understood that the Senate leaders are agreed to request President Harding to rush the Allied Debt Refunding Bill through the Senate.

MARKS 900.

LONDON, December 2.

Marks closed in London at 900.

SKY G.

OTTER HUNTING BANNED.

BRITISH COMPENSATED.

WASHINGTON, December 2.

The British and American claims tribunal has awarded \$4,704 compensation in the case of three British schooners which the United States patrol prevented from otter hunting in the Behring Sea in 1900.

FOREVER GREEN STEAMER.

LORD INCHCAPE'S LATEST OFFER.

LONDON, Dec. 2.

Lord Inchcape's commission, which has included 412 former enemy vessels during the past year worth nearly £250,000,000, now has a novel and daring offer to sell large steamers and other vessels and aircraft and ships captured in the war for the purpose of rebuilding a fleet of modern ships.

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Kong Ning: Monday, Dec. 5. Kong Ning: Wednesday, Dec. 7.

Kong Ning: Friday, Dec. 9. Kong Ning: Sunday, Dec. 11.

Kong Ning: Tuesday, Dec. 13. Kong Ning: Thursday, Dec. 15.

Kong Ning: Friday, Dec. 17. Kong Ning: Sunday, Dec. 19.

Kong Ning: Monday, Dec. 21. Kong Ning: Wednesday, Dec. 23.

Kong Ning: Friday, Dec. 25. Kong Ning: Sunday, Dec. 27.

Kong Ning: Tuesday, Dec. 29. Kong Ning: Thursday, Dec. 31.

Kong Ning: Friday, Jan. 2. Kong Ning: Sunday, Jan. 4.

Kong Ning: Monday, Jan. 6. Kong Ning: Wednesday, Jan. 8.

Kong Ning: Friday, Jan. 10. Kong Ning: Sunday, Jan. 12.

Kong Ning: Tuesday, Jan. 14. Kong Ning: Thursday, Jan. 16.

Kong Ning: Friday, Jan. 18. Kong Ning: Sunday, Jan. 20.

Kong Ning: Monday, Jan. 22. Kong Ning: Wednesday, Jan. 24.

Kong Ning: Friday, Jan. 26. Kong Ning: Sunday, Jan. 28.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS

Dec. 6.—General Furniture &c.
" 8.—British & Foreign Stamp.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
ON

TUESDAY,
December 6, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
**TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD
FURNITURE, BRASS AND TEAK-
WOOD TWIN BEDSTEADS,
CARPETS,**
Etc., Etc., Etc.,
Comprising:—
Dining Suites, Chesterfield Sofas,
Arm-chairs (new), Card and Occasional
Tables, Teakwood Twin Bedsteads,
large and small Wardrobes, Dressing
Tables and Chairs, Washstands, &c.,
(famed Teakwood), Sideboards, Dinner
Wagons, Dinner Services, Crockery, &
Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery,
&c., Electro-plated Ware,
Electric Reading Lamps, Screens,
Sundry Blackwood Furniture, Chairs,
Cabinets, Pictures,
Also
One Baby Grand Piano by Broadwood.
One Victrola Gramophone.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms: Cash on delivery.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
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ON
TUESDAY,
December 6, 1921, commencing at 2.30
p.m. at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
Several Lots of
**Valuable St. Lambert Glass
Ware, Venetian Coloured Electric
Lamps, Mable Statuettes, Fancy
Goods,**
Also
a few pairs Special Blankets
and Rugs.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
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ON

THURSDAY,
December 8, 1921, at 5 p.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
A Private Collection of
British and Foreign Stamps,
including:—
a large number of British Colonials.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

(For Account of the Concerned),
ON

THURSDAY,
December 8, 1921, at 2.30 p.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
**A Valuable Selection
of Jewellery,**
Comprising:—
Diamond and Gem Brooches, Necklet,
Brooches, Rings and other Ornaments.
An opportunity for suitable Xmas
Gifts.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
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Auctioneers.

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Auctioneers.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
ON

FRIDAY
December 9, 1921, at 2.30 p.m.,
at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner
of Ice House Street,
**Chinese Porcelains, Carles,
Laquered Ware, &c., &c.,**
including:—
A variety of 6-coloured and
3-coloured Vases and Jars, Wall Plates,
Table Screens, Blue and White Vases,
Incense burners, Old Bronze and Brass
Figures and Vases, Kakeemonos,
Laquered Cabinets, Chairs, Screens,
Tables, Ivory Ware, Jade, Agate and
Crystal Ornaments, Mandarin Pieces,
Also
Many Green Jade Ornaments,
Beads Hand Bags, Embroidered Bags,
Amber Necklaces, Golden Breast Pins,
Scarf Pins, Sleeve Buttons, Brooches,
Brooches, &c., &c.
The above stock recently arrived
from the North and includes pieces
from the Ming, Kungki, Kienlung and
Towkwoong Periods.
The bulk of which will be sold
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On view before sale.
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December 15th.
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PUBLIC AUCTIONS

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of
the letting by Public Auction Sale, to
be held on MONDAY, the 6th day
of December, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the
Office of the Public Works Department,
by Order of His Excellency the Governor,
of the Lot of CROWN LAND
at Shaukiwan, in the Colony of
Hongkong, for a term of 75 years,
with the option of renewal at a Crown
Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His
Majesty the King, for one further term
of 75 years.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Containing in Acres	Annual Rent	Upset Price
		N.	E.	S.	W.			
Shaukiwan Island Lot No. 235.	At rear of Island No. 167, Shaukiwan Road Lot in the Colony of Hongkong.	101	109	47	40	1.20	2	270

G. R.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the
letting by Public Auction Sale, to
be held on MONDAY, the 14th day
of December, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the
Office of the Public Works Department,
by Order of His Excellency the Governor,
of One Lot of CROWN LAND at
rear of Island No. 167, Shaukiwan
Road Lot in the Colony of Hongkong,
for a term of 75 years, with the
option of renewal at a Crown Rent
to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty
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**THE 38th ANNUAL
AL FRESCO FETE**
of the
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the Committee of the Hongkong
General Chamber of Commerce, under
powers conferred upon them by the
Regulations thereof, have appointed
David Keay Blair to be Secretary as
from this date vice the undersigned
resigned.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, December 1, 1921.

NOTICE.

TUTOR.—Assistant Master is open
to teach boys for one or two hours
daily, mornings, during Xmas Vac.
Write, stating particulars, to TUTOR.
CHINA MAIL.

NOTICE.

THANKS TO DR. YEUNG ON
SHU, SURGEON,
S.S. "HWAH PING."

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY informed
that on 14th October, 1921, I
embarked on the S.S. "HWAH PING"
at Pora to return to China. A few
days after the vessel's departure I
suddenly felt a very bad pain in the
lower part of my right leg. When Dr.
YEUNG, Surgeon of the vessel, and
native of the Mui District, had treated
my leg the pain left me after a few days
and, after being continually under his
kind medical treatment for twenty odd
days, my leg entirely recovered.
In commemoration of and thankfulness
for his kindness, I therefore put these
lines in the paper to bring it to every-
body's notice.

IP WAH LAM,
NATIVE OF CHEK KAI.
Hongkong, December 1, 1921.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER
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THE THIRD ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the
Office of the Company, St. George's
Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong-
kong, on SATURDAY, the 10th
December, 1921, at 11 o'clock in the
forenoon, for the purpose of receiving
a Statement of Accounts and the Report
of the General Managers for the year
ended 30th September, 1921, and
electing a Consulting Committee and
Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF the
Company will be closed from THURS-
DAY, the 1st December 1921 until
SATURDAY, the 10th December 1921
both days inclusive.

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General Managers.
Hongkong, November 19, 1921.

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INTIMATIONS.

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Jazz Orchestra, and it is now possible
for patrons to dance during dinner each
evening.
TEA DANCANTS will be held in
the Grill Room from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m.
every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
and Friday. An entrance charge of \$2
per head will be made which will include
afternoon tea.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

TEA AND DINNER DANCANTS
will be held on Wednesdays and
Saturdays only, and Orchestral Concerts
during tiffin and afternoon tea on
Sundays. The Orchestra will not be
in attendance on other days unless
specially advertised.

Hongkong, December 1, 1921.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

SHAREHOLDERS in THE STEAM
LAUNDRY COMPANY, LTD.,
entitled to an allotment of shares
in the Hongkong Hotel Company,
Limited are requested to forward their
claims to the undersigned as soon as
possible.

H. N. BEAUREPAIRE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, December 1, 1921.

NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to notify
the public that Mr. CHING
PING SHU was granted a monopoly
by the Hongkong Government for the
running of steam launches (ferries)
between Hongkong, Kowloon-sha, Shau-
kiwan, Hungshui and Saiwan for a
period of three years from the 1st April,
1921, to the 31st March, 1924.

The undersigned together with Mr.
CHING PING SHU therefore decided to
form a Company called the TUNG
ON STEAM LAUNCH CO., LTD.
with a capital of \$12,000.00. The
shares being apportioned as follows:—
Mr. Ching Ping Shu ... \$4,000.00
Mr. Wong Po Ki ... \$4,000.00
Mr. Kok Kwai Sang ... \$2,000.00
Mr. Chik Lun Shing ... \$2,000.00
Up to last October as Mr. Ching
Ping Shu had not registered the afore-
said Limited Liability Company at the
Registrar's Office at Hongkong, we
therefore sold all our shares to Mr.
Ching Ping Shu; who has properly
paid us for our shares this month.

We, the undersigned, therefore give
notice that we will not be responsible
for any of the Loans, Charters, Bills,
Profit and Loss, etc. of the said Tung
On Steam Launch Co., Ltd. and that
Mr. Ching Ping Shu will be responsible
for same.

This is a notice for future proof.

WONG PO KI,
KOK KWAI SANG,
CHIK LUN SHING.
Hongkong, November 28, 1921.

NATIONAL LOANS.

BONDHOLDERS ARE HEREBY
NOTIFIED that the FOURTH
DRAWING of the 3rd Year Loan
(\$2,750,000) and the EIGHTH
DRAWING of the 7th Year Issue of
Short Term Bonds (\$4,800,000) will
be held, as announced by the Loan Bureau
of the Ministry of Finance, in Peking
on 1st and 10th December respectively,
and that payment of drawn bonds will
be made on 31st, December.

Bonds of the 1st Year 6 per cent Loan
(converted issue) which were drawn on
10th November last, amounting to
\$2,719,811.40 will be redeemed on 1st
December next, and the interest coupon
\$1,631,766.84 will be paid on same
date.

The interest coupon on the 3rd Year
Loan, 7th Year Short Term Bond Issue
and the 7th Year Long Term Bonds
due on 31st December next will be paid
on 31st December.

F. A. AGLEN,
Inspector General of Customs,
Inspectorate General of Customs,
Peking, 21st November, 1921.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the HONGKONG DOLLAR
DIRECTOR has been acquired, as
from July 7th, 1921, by the undersigned
with all rights and titles, and will
hereafter be published by them. No
claims against the Hongkong Dollar
Directory incurred prior to this date
will be admitted by the undersigned.
THE NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE
LTD.
6, Wyndham Street,
Hongkong, July 7, 1921.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, December 2nd.
Official: The first Shantung confer-
ence was attended by Mr. Alfred Sze,
Mr. Wellington Koo, Mr. Chung Hui
Wang, accompanied by Mr. Tyan Wang
Hsu, and Mr. Chao Kuo representing
China; Baron Kato, Mr. Hanabusa and
Admiral Daguichi accompanied by Mr.
Siburi, Mr. Kimura, Mr. Saito, and Mr.
Shiratori representing Japan; Mr.
Hughes and Mr. Balfour, who opened the
meeting which discussed procedure.

LATER.
A demonstration in favour of the un-
conditional return of Shantung was made
by Chinese before the headquarters of the
Chinese delegation. The crowd consisted
of Chinese students and merchants aug-
mented by scores of Chinese brought here
on account of the conference. It occurred
just as the Chinese were departing for
the initial conversation with the Japanese
on Shantung. There was no disorder, the
crowd gradually dispersing after speeches
by three Chinese delegates.

LONDON, December 2nd.
The labours of the naval experts have
revealed an extraordinary oversight in
the drafting of the Hughes naval holiday
proposals, possibly invalidating the whole
scheme. It appears that at the end of
the ten years naval holiday Britain will
be entitled to build twelve Dreadnoughts
of 35,000 tons each, replacing ships
twenty years old and giving Britain an
overwhelming superiority over all the
navies of the world as the United States
will be entitled to only four and Japan
to one new Dreadnought. The position
will be reversed six years later when the
preponderance will pass to America. The
discovery was made by British experts
and submitted to the Americans who re-
luctantly acquiesced, agreeing that the
scheme was more likely to provoke war
than to guarantee peace.

It is reliably learned that the experts
are examining a new proposal whereby,
while adhering to Mr. Hughes's tonnage
ratios, the United States and Britain
will each be entitled to build two battle-
ships every three years, thus keeping in
employment skilled artisans, also most
valuable armour-plating and gunmaking
plants which otherwise would have to be
subsidised. It is pointed out that, ac-
cording to the new scheme, Japan will
be allowed to keep the Matsu.

The Japanese attitude is regarded as
the key. While the Conference is re-
ported as unanimous in opinion, the
American and British delegations regard
Japan's insistence on more battleships
as unwarranted, but the Japanese are
skilled bargainers and desire, before
finally committing themselves, to ascer-
tain America's decision regarding the
fortification of naval bases in the Pacific.
They are also wishful of awaiting the
outcome of the deliberations of the Far
Eastern Committee regarding China.

ROYAL DUTCH COMPANY.

AMSTERDAM, December 2nd.
The Royal Dutch Company has declared
an interim dividend of fifteen per cent.,
payable in cash on January 18th. Owing
to uncertainty as to East India taxation
no conclusion could be made regarding
the final dividend in July. The interim
dividend is payable from the profits of
enterprises outside the Netherlands
Indies.

A BIG AMALGAMATION.

New York, December 2nd.
A report regarding the Amalgamation of
the majority of the independent steel com-
panies in America which was under con-
sideration was practically confirmed to-
night. Mr. Chadbourne, the lawyer who
is concerned in the matter, admitted the
essential truth of the report but declared
that the matter was still in the pre-
liminary stage.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS LOAN.

LONDON, December 2nd.
It is reported that a Straits Settlements
loan will shortly be floated in London.

MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, December 2nd.
It is understood that Mr. Harding's
message to congress next week will urge
the necessity of a revision of tariffs as
early as possible. It will also propose
ship subsidies for the merchant marine
as supplementary to the free tolls for
coastwise shipping through Panama.

**INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL
CONFERENCE.**

PARIS, December 1st.
The newspapers report that the Inter-
national Financial Conference is likely
to take place in Paris shortly.—Havas.

**FORMER CHINESE MINISTER IN
SWITZERLAND.**

PARIS, December 1st.
Loo Taeng Siang, the former Chinese
Minister for Foreign Affairs, has arrived
at Muralto in Switzerland for a several
weeks sojourn.—Havas.


LANDRU.

VERSAILLES, November 30th.
Landru has been sentenced to death.

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lungs, and prevent the child from
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the throat and lungs.

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BIRTH.

ROSSER.—At the Peak Hospital, on
2nd December, to Mr. and Mrs.
A. J. W. Rosser, a son.

DEATHS.

PEILL.—On October 27, 1921, at
California, Louise, wife of Dr. S.
G. Peill, of the London Mission,
Tsang Chow, Chihli.GONSALVES.—On November 27,
1921, at Shanghai, Francisco S.
Gonsalves aged 60 years.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DEC. 3, 1921.

ADVERSARIA.

Did I or did I not give
you a chance last week,
when asking you to favour
me with any references to my an-
cestors you might come across in your
reading of history? What a chance to
exercise your wits, and what a chance
to add to the sum total of the week's
fun. Only one reader weighed in—a
member of the Overseas Club—and he
merely asked if the garrulous ass be-
longing to a Biblical farmer called
Balaam was one of my ancestors. It
is quite evident that although you
want this column to be amusing, you
will not help to make it so. I have a
jolly good mind to talk seriously and
heavily to you about the Logarithmic
hypothesis, or to give you a few
columns of notes on the phenomenon
of ecstasies as observed in the terrestrial
isopoda. It would serve you right,
and do you no harm. But vengeance
is not mine, it is the Lord's.

Which reminds me
of some notes on ortho-
graphy the other day, by the pious
Webster, I observed a remarkable
instance of his delicacy of feeling.
Because it is more consistent with the
Latin origin of the words, he deletes
the "u" from endings in words like
honour, favour, labour, etc. With
one exception, and only one. He
spells saviour both ways.

Frequently when I
am, not for my pleasure
or profit, I assure
you, but for business
reasons, reading some news-
paper article, I wonder what
the writer's favourite dishes
are. If I knew that, and had a hint as to
the state of his digestion, I could un-
derstand his mental processes as
clearly as if I had watched them
working. Politics are frequently
affected by the gastric processes, and
nearly all philosophy begins there.

It was, if my memory is
not at fault, Zangwill in
d'esprit, a book of essays entitled
"Without Prejudice" who first mooted the suggestion that
a very necessary new society to found
is a society for the prevention of the
founding of new societies. Those
particular essays are crammed with
word play of that kind. It was in
one of them that he said, every man
looks upon life through a capital T.

'Twould ring the bells
of Heaven! The wildest
poet for years, I'll parson
to his senses. And people came to
them, and he and they together
knelt down with angry prayers. For
mischievous making writers. And men
of stocks, and shares. Who put the last
things firstly because nobody cares.
I am really sorry I missed
Mr. Crook's lecture on
Early Man. I am interest-
ed in the subject. I know
Mr. Crook could make it interesting.
Is there no chance of having the

lecture in print? I hope he made a
point of saying this—"Would you see
Early Man for yourselves? Circum-
spice." This is not a joke. I
believe that in essentials we have not
changed. Men are still jealous,
greedy, fickle, lazy, and cantankerous
animals. Modern man speaks of
certain emotions as making his "flesh
creep." This must be a legacy from
the time when he wore home-grown
fur, and bristled up to scare his op-
ponent or rival. Early man's version
of Two Keels to One was Two Sizes of
One—he tried to look twice as big by
puffing out his plumage, as a cat's
tail or a dog's neck. Eh? Plumage
not the right word? All right. Say
foliage.

Last time I wrote
BAD MONEY
AND GOOD
MEN.

to be particularly careful in this
paragram. A respectable tradesman
was tried last week for tendering a
forged ten dollar note. Jury acquitted
him, but in the meanwhile it cost him
some hundreds of dollars to establish
his innocence. The court didn't say
"Sorry, old bean," or anything like
that. During the trial it was asserted
by Mr. Dyer-Ball that any business-
man should know the colours of our
banknotes. I'm willing to bet him a
Christmas turkey that nine out of ten
do not, whether British or Chinese.
At first I thought that each bank
had its own individual colour for
a tenspot, but when I came
to look into it, I found that I had
Hongkong and Shanghai banknotes,
of the same denomination, but of
different colours. I have been so
pestered with bad money here (in my
case mostly coin, not notes) that I
sympathise deeply with good men
who innocently try to pass bad
money. Very few of us examine
money carefully, and if we do
we cannot always tell. I think
the previous character, etc., should be
considered in all such doubtful cases,
before prosecution is proceeded with.
At the same time, when they do get
forgers, give 'em something with
boiling oil in it. In the last few
months I must have thrown at least
thirty bad ten-cent or twenty-cent
pieces into the sea, and I'm feeling
savage toward all coiners. If the police
will bring me the next one they catch,
I'll give them an exhibition of really
scientific torture, that will make the
Grand Inquisitor look like an amateur.
But—this is my point—let them re-
member that "possessing and ut-
tering" can be very innocently done
here.

Friend of mine, in the
EPICURUS Government service, who
read my note about
being a cheerful pessimist, defines a
pessimist as a person who, confronted
with a choice of two evils, chooses
both. That is witty. I pass it on
that score. But if he wants to argue
about it, I'll start him off by saying
it is not true. The way I look at it
is this. The pessimist recognizes both
evils, and decides to "make the best"
of both. The optimist fancies he
can choose the lesser evil, but comes
to grief between the two, like the
navigator between the Scilly Isles
and the Caribbees that the classics
tell you about.

In passing, a classic has
been defined, don't you
know, as a work that
everybody may praise
without taking the trouble to read it.
I don't know whose it is—sounds like
Gilbert Chesterton, or may be Wilde.
It certainly isn't mine, and probably
wasn't his to begin with. There are
more writers than ideas, and on est
toursurs fils de quel'un, which (in
case you are not polyglotically
furnished) is a Frenchified way of
saying there is nothing really new
under the son (fils).

Mongolia has a parlia-
ment! Mongolia! That
strange, upland, desert,
thinly peopled country of nomadic
folk, has a parliament. Sixty mem-
bers have been elected. Of these
only five were princes. The rest
were workers. The chairman is a
domagogue, and the Vice-chairman
a young revolutionary. When the
Bakimo demand Home Rule, and the
Tibetans women's suffrage—no.
They've got that—say, tariff reform,
then we shall know that civilization
is getting near Alexander's worry,
that of having no more worlds to
conquer.

When a newspaper
writer begins by
admitting that his
judgment is weak, and
confessing that he does not get the
hang of things, it must seem like
rubbing in a real trouble to agree with
him. I have to do it, for one of the
gasbags in Saturday's Telegraph leak-
ed to this effect: "I have still to
discover how the laws passed by the
League of Nations are proposed to be
enforced. None of its champions
have (sic) quite made that clear."
The League authority is exactly like
that of our police, who have the
strength of the Government behind
them. The League is promised the
collective and organized strength of
the authority of all its members.
Isn't that enough? Why will the

journalist children handle such
topics, that are admittedly beyond
them? The danger is that childish
readers will mistake their prattle for
the obiter dicta of grown-up men.

Not having read
any of the gentle-
man's work, I do
not know whether
to feel annoyed or complimented by
a comparison sent in by a reader at
Swatow. He says he is a regular
reader and admirer of the in-
dependent China Mail, "especially
on Saturdays, the spirit of which I
compare with a certain American
writer, Brann the Iconoclast, much
of whose work is published in two
volumes by Herz Brothers of Waco,
Texas." If anybody cares to lend
me those two volumes I guarantee
to read them and, of course, to re-
turn them. Brann must be a smart
guy to get himself compared with
Me.

Thursday's report of
ARGUMENTS. Magistrate Lindsell's
sharp comments on
a fountainpen snatcher should not be
read too literally. For instance, I
am sure that when his Worship said
"You are a perfect little scoundrel, full
of arguments," he did not mean that
mere argumentativeness is scoundrel-
ly. If he did, what a scoundrel he must
think me! The case makes me per-
sonally feel considerable uneasiness,
because not only am I as full of argu-
ments as a German collar is full of
neck, but also, in the course of my
business, it happens that I often
snatch a fountainpen. A fellow
feeling, you see, with the Artful
Dodger of Queen's Road Central, now
doing six months in moral quarantine.

When the printer (really
the compositor) ap-
proaches the end of a line,
you will notice that he
often starts on a longer
word than he has room for. He sets
a part of it, shoves in a hyphen, and
carries over the balance. When this
is done intelligently, and with know-
ledge of the language, no one but a
proof reader is likely to notice it. But
when it is done by a man who does
not know the language, or only a
tiny smattering of it, you get words
like "reaching" divided into "re-
aching," which simply will not do.
Our printer thinks me faddy and
finicking when I complain of a thing
like that. It is a democratic office,
and as I am not one of the
regular staff, he talks to me as
cheekily as I address the taipans.
Told me I wasn't a printer, if you
please. I flogged him by declaring
that I was. And so I am. He prints
on paper, but I make impressions
upon human minds and hearts. As
a poet once said to a printer,

I truly to benefit mankind
I fear exceeds thy art
Thou canst not stamp upon
the mind
Nor print upon the heart.
Have I ever advised you
SAMUEL, to make a point of
DUTLER reading "Erewhon"?
A reader suggests that I
should, and I heartily agree with him.
Samuel Butler should on no account
be ignored. On that subject of
pessimism I recall that he described
Balfour's "Foundations of Belief"
as "cheap pessimism." He then
went on: "I know not which is
cheapest, pessimism or optimism.
One forces lights, the other darkness;
both are equally untrue to good art, and
equally bare of their effect with the
groundlings. The one extenuates, the
other sets down in malice. The first
is the more amiable lie, but both are
lies, and are known to be so by those
who utter them." That'll help you
to get the meaning I put on the label
"cheerful pessimist." I only use the
word pessimist for want of a better.
This trick of labelling men, of parcel-
ling views and attitudes into defined
groups, can be very misleading. The
word "materialist" (usually prefixed
by "gross") is a shocking example.
The orthodox creeds are "grossly
materialistic," but few seem to notice
that. However, that's another story.
Do read Samuel Butler. By way of
tempting you with a tasty sample,
here's one of his sayings. "Life is
like playing a violin solo in public and
learning the instrument as one goes
on."

The same Butler
has this: "If
Christianity is to be
a living faith, it
must penetrate a
man's whole life, so that he can no
more rid himself of it than he can of
his flesh and bones or of his breathing.
The Christianity that can be taken up
and laid down as if it were a watch or
a book is Christianity in name only.
The true Christian can no more part
from Christ in mirth than in sorrow."
I showed a most re-
grettable lack of
PRINCIPLES, principle on Thursday
morning, when I
boarded a tram coming into town.
Being still an invalid, I desired a seat
in the lower deck saloon. There was
one seat available, but it was occupied
by a policeman's dog. I ought to
have stuck up for my human rights,
and if the policeman had been a
priest or a fellow clergyman, I probably
would. But like policemen, and this

one was such a fat, handsome, jolly
looking one, besides which his dog was
a nice dog (though I doubt if it had
paid its fare) that I merely sighed,
buttoned my surlout, and climbed on
to the boat deck. It was wrong of
me not to insist on the principle, and
I soothe my conscience by confessing
it now.

I had a note about our
WASTING
OUR
MONEY
new fire station on Praya
East, where the timber
yards used to be. I now
invite any normal busi-
ness man to look at the board fence,
with red brick terminal pillar, that has
just been shoved up there, and to say
if it is not a glaring waste of public
money. It encloses nothing and is a
barrier to nothing—except the desir-
able view of seeing an engine coming
out, which might be useful to ap-
proaching traffic. The fence is a long
promontory beyond the new street
line. It is well made of the best
material, has been carefully painted,
and the last time I saw it they
seemed to be preparing for a concrete
cap to the pillar which must come
down sooner or later. Which spend-
ing authority is to blame? I want to
tell it what I think of it.

I have frequently con-
fessed that I have no
head for figures. Balance
sheets I usually admire
without understanding. I can't say
that I take them on trust, because I
don't. I take them to some business
friend, who explains them to me, and
I say "Thanks. I see," and don't
believe a word of it. So when I
suggest that the following quotation
from Sir Josiah Stamp, examiner
to the Society of Incorporated
Accountants and Auditors, has
considerable bearing on local company
balance-sheets, you are to understand
that I do so with the fullest intention
of pleading that I didn't know it
was loaded, if it wounds any local
directors. Under the caption of
"Misleading Balance Sheets," Sir
Josiah recently said: "Think of the
economic conception of capital as
distinct from income, and then
deliberate upon the sorry figure that
is cut in the light of it by your modern
fetish of a 'sale' or 'sound' balance-
sheet, which lies in almost every line
and yet is approved by you because it
overstates no assets and understates
no liabilities, while it has valuable
premises written down to negligible
figures and reserves hidden in
innumerable places, of profits field up
and tucked away." I am told that
some companies here have written off
practically the whole value of their
premises. That sort of way of
camouflaging capital, and the hoarding
of exaggerated reserves, although
ostensibly "prudent finance," is prob-
ably often merely a far-sighted way
of rigging the share market. But
mind you, I don't understand these
matters, and am quite probably talk-
ing nonsense.

I fancy the China
Mail would recon-
sider its unofficial
"recognition" of
the Canton Government, if it heard
the sort of gossip that I pick up on
the beach. I am not allowed to butt
in on serious politics, or I would
suggest that China's public men,
North or South, old or young, are all
stuffed with the same brush. The
young officials of Canton (which has
"abolished" gambling) play too
much big poker, reserving, I hear, a
railway carriage for the purpose. A
public servant who plays high limit
poker is sometimes in need of money,
and you know what that means.
Then who is the highly placed young
man in Canton who until recently held
seven jobs and drew seven salaries,
and only parted with some of the jobs
when his friends came along to claim
them? I admit this is all gossip
from the beach, but the gossips are
numerous, and they name names.

Yesterday fore-
noon the editor
of the China
Mail sent a
coolie to me
with the following note, marked
"urgent." "Dear Editor,—To me
personally your Adversaria is always
most amusing when most angry. I
think the enclosed cutting from the
Daily Press should arouse his ire.
Please call his attention to it, in case
he should overlook it." The cutting
was a letter to the editor of the D.P.,
signed "A Mere Britisher," and sure
enough it "gets my goat," as the
mere Americans say. I consider the
writer to be one of those detestable
angstmythes whose intellects are
like unto a blue-bottle fly on a window
pane, and who talk foolishness as
easily and as fast as a terrier can trot.
The editor of the D.P., reproves the
creature in his leader, I see, and calls
him a pre-Victorian, which is fairly
severe for the morning paper; but not
nearly strong enough. A man who
talks like that deserves to be slapped
over the mouth with a wet haddock
not too fresh.

Inasmuch as it is
a DISREPUTATION obviously of im-
portance, that in
no detail or par-
ticular of this moral reproach should
there be left any room for doubt or

misapprehension, more particularly
as regards the clear and scientific
definition of terms employed in the
premises, it behoves me to make
plain what kind of a haddock this
naughty prattler should be smitten
with. By haddock I mean the kind
that played ghost in a comedy by T.
E. Dunville. Mr. Dunville was a
gentleman gifted in the matter of
amusing vast concourses of people, in
the days when a music hall was a
music hall, and like others of the
theatrical profession, he encountered
a landlady who was too much for him.
In leaving her lodging, he told
her that her rapacity would not
prosper her. "This room," he
told her, "will be let again, but your
tenants will not stay long. I am
going away to die, and my wrath
will haunt it. Wait and see." Sure
enough the next tenant left in two
or three days, and the lodger after
that stayed only one day. The third
quitted in an hour or two; his would-
be successors merely put their heads
in at the door, turned up their noses,
and went elsewhere. The landlady
herself began to find the atmosphere
of the room unbearable, though she
had it thoroughly cleaned out, and
found nothing objectionable. Finally
she sent to the Sanitary Authorities,
being a practical woman who did not
believe in ghosts, and suggested
that there must be some
defect in the building. But
though they pulled the place about,
and opened the drains, and tore out
the ceiling, they found nothing. And
then one day the behaviour of a dog
that strayed into that room aroused
the attention of the slavey and the
mystery was solved. It was found
that Mr. Dunville had nailed his
breakfast haddock to the underside
of the table-top. It is that particular
haddock; or one just like it, that I
think would most appropriately
eclipse the imbecile countenance of
the correspondent who used the pen-
name of "A Mere Britisher."

I am not annoyed
WHY I AM because he says all
ANNOUNCED the newspapers print
B.S. (Another Ameri-
canism, which I understand to mean
Blooming Sillyness). No, I rather
agree with him there. The D.P.
published his letter for example.
That was the worst kind of B.S. The
bit in it that irritates me is the phrase
"wishy-washy internationalism."
That is an impudent perversion of the
fact, which is that internationalism
(my creed) is robustly intellectual and
logical, while it is nationalism that is
invariably wishy-washy and sloppily
sentimental and illogical. If this
"Mere Britisher" have the brains
of a louse—but no. I will not
let my righteous indignation
"amuse" the mischievous devil who
wrote to my editor about it. I will
be perfectly calm, and dignified, and
temperate in my language, and reason
with this fragment of thickheaded and
decayed balderdash that has washed
up on the beach of local journalism.
If he is capable of recognising that
east isn't west, or black white, or top
bottom, I'll convert the dog.

Nationalism, pa-
triotism, Chauvin-
ism—there's little
to distinguish these
things—have been grossly overdone.
I knew this and felt it long ago, but
I realized it afresh and most vividly
during the early stages of the World
War. I agree with Lord Hugh Cecil
that it has become a pest, a fatal
epidemic, and that the health and
sanity of civilization require the
strongest sanitary measures to be
taken against it. It is one of man's
oldest instincts, and needs no foster-
ing. It was a virtue of barbarism, it
is a vice and a sin against civiliza-
tion. It breeds bad feelings. I
suspect that it is often insincere. I
suspect that "Mere Britisher" is less
a patriot than a business man
afraid of competition. But al-
lowing him the benefit of the
doubt, and assuming that he is
animated by the wishy-washy senti-
mentalism that values one bit of God's
dirt more than another bit, I call your
attention to the feelings it breeds in
him. He tells the world that "90 per
cent. at least of Britishers know that
the Americans are out to down us in
any way possible." I hasten to tell
the Americans that that is a lie. So
far as Hongkong is concerned, I re-
present more than 90 per cent. of
British knowledge here, and we do not
suspect it. In business competition,
in "yachting," in all friendly manly
rivalry, yes. We will try to beat you
in these things, and we hope to keep
our end up, but if you beat us at
anything in a fair and open field
we will not hate you for it.

"Mere Britisher" will, but he's
unpleasant. He's crazy. Don't mind him,
please.

It requires brains
who's and the exercise
WISHY WASHY! thereof to be an
internationalist, to
say nothing of a smattering of true
religion. Bernard Shaw is all brain

and practically no heart; and he has
written some deplorably true things
about the poisonously sloppy hum bug
behind our bee-yutiful word "home."
He was writing of the individual
home, where the little ones are
privileged to hear mother nag the
servants, and quarrel with father, and
all those holy and pure educational
influences which make home so sweet.
Maybe he is an evil man. Maybe he
exaggerates the worst and ignores
the good. So. But he is not wishy-
washy. That's my point. The song
"Home sweet home" is wishy-washy
doggerel, whilst Robert Burns' "man
to man the wide world o'er" is mainly
virile, poetry. The most wishy-washy
stuff I know are the German volkslieder
about home and fatherland, and we
all know what it led to. The Sinn
Feiners are the most intensely
nationalistic and patriotic people, full
of wishy-washy sentiments about Erin
and Kathleen ni Houlihan and you
know what that leads to. I would like
my American friends better, so far
as that goes, if they would cut out
a lot of the "My country, 'tis of
thee" stuff, and boast more of the
constitution, which is a good one, and
suits me to a T.

I am English born and
like bred, and the purest Eng-
lish bred there is, for I
come from a county that
was less accessible to the Romans,
and Danes, and Normans than other
parts of our land were. While I was
a child I thought as a child,
and I thought that the Creator had
taken special pains with my county—
it was so manifestly superior to all
other counties. Even yet, after being
converted like Paul by an intellectual
flash of light, I feel a little sore when
Devon men and Sussex men and men
of Kent and so on boast of their
counties. They are good counties,
and I like them very much indeed,
but they are so evidently inferior to
Cumberland that I feel intuitively
that these men are immodest, and
exaggerate, and talk too much before
their betters. Now that is insinuat-
ing, barbaric insinuation that is strong in dumb
animals, the tropism that needs no
cultivating or encouragement. Since
I began to use my brains I no longer
invent my empty tumbler and declare
noisily that "can'tie add Cummerlan
cups them aw still." I still feel that
it does, you know, but reason tells me
that quite decent and worthy fellows
can't come out of the other counties.
Having advanced that far on the road
to truth, I was bound to perceive that
what is true of counties is true of
countries; and I'm such a convinced
internationalist and cosmopolite
now that when they prove to me the
existence of sentient creatures on
Mars or any other planet, I'm quite
ready to admit they are as good as
we are, and in any case the
children of the same Heavenly
Father, for I am not like some people
who pass for orthodox; I don't
believe in more than one Heavenly
Father.

INTERVAL If these thoughts
FOR TIPPIN appear a little dis-
allow for interruptions. I was called
away for tiffin an hour ago. I had
olives harvested by Italians, beef
probably from Australian, apples
from Canadians, claret from the
French. The meal was cooked by a
native of Japan and served by a
Chinese, and God (of no particular
nationality they tell me) gave me the
essential contentment withal. So
that, rightly regarded, it wasn't really
an interruption at all, but an argument
in itself. Show me the patriot who
insists on an All Red tiffin, and I'll
stand the drinks.

I know as well as you
IS MY SOUL do that spate of poetry
DEAD? which says: "Breathes
there a man with soul so
dead, who never to himself hath said,
this is my own, my native land." I
don't care who said it. If it were
Holy Writ it would only represent for
me the utterance of one man taking for
granted what was taken for granted
by all in his time, namely, that such
a sentiment was purely virtuous. Since
that time we have had our eyes opened
to the fact that it isn't. Every
procession has its laggards, and
patriots like "A Mere Britisher" are
holding back the column of civiliza-
tion on its march to a worthier life
for us all. These noble, lofty,
devoted sentiments of theirs
are equally well expressed in
the familiar formula, "Here's a
stranger. Let's have half a brick at
him." Because, reason or none, no
discerning and honest man can fail to
admit that love of country in the mass
of instances takes the form of hatred
of foreigners, fear of foreigners,
jealousy and envy of foreigners,
ill-speaking of foreigners, with a
consequent accumulation of pinpricks
that breaks out, first in street fights
such as have disgraced Hongkong,
and ultimately (when the prejudice
travelling journalists have joined in,
and short-sighted diplomats have
done their mischievous bit) in war.
All this where the patriotism is
sincere, mark you!

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ADVERSARIA.

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When it is insincere
OFTEN IT is, as Dr. Johnson
IS INSINCERE said, the last refuge
of the scoundrel.

I think he really must have meant the first refuge. Every vain, ambitious demagogue, aiming mainly at notoriety and self aggrandisement, who sets his countrymen by the ears and starts trouble does so in the name of patriotism. There must be many thousands of genuine Chinese patriots—they have proved it time and again—but we know how their honest emotions have been led and swayed and used by grafters pure and simple, men in the political game for what they personally can get out of it. If a man with the patent mentality of "A Mere Britisher" were in a high political position at Home, I tell you, Sir, he would first feather his own nest, and then the nests of his relatives and friends, and so far as his conscience is concerned, the rest of the people—his fellow Britishers—could hang. He is the type of citizen who would settle a coal strike by shooting the miners and his contribution to the great unemployment problem is probably "serve the beggars right." I know his type. It is British, more's the pity, and English though I am, I hate it as I hate snakes, and I hit it whenever I meet it. God! How I hate it and loathe it. It is that type of Britisher, blast him, which gets us so disliked, which makes foreign travel for a wanderer like myself less comfortable and happy than it could be. Among every foreign people so far, among whom I wished to live awhile, on terms of real intimacy, I found that I first had to overcome and dissipate a mistrust, a prejudice. It has been pathetic to me to note how some of them have been absurdly pleased and grateful and loving and extremely kind merely because they discovered that, although an Englishman, I did not put on dog, and assert my superiority, but was a simple, well meaning, human being like themselves. It is experience of this kind, extending over a quarter of a century and nearly all over the world, that makes me refuse to join St. George's Societies and Overseas Clubs and nationalistic organizations of that sort. Nationalism, I repeat, does not need organizing. It is bred in the bone, and it comes out in the flesh.

If I have any American readers, I want them to take note of this paragraph and mention it to their friends. I know what I am talking about. I have travelled extensively in America, as far east as Florida, and as far west as California. I have resided for two full years under the American flag, and enjoyed it. I have had good American friends for over twenty years. "You know me, Al." You may trust me. I am not a huncor steerer. I have been a great student of American literature for nearly forty years. And I know my own country and my own people as well as you know your home town. I tell you that though this "Merely British" type makes a big noise, there is not much of it. Bottomley—the Mr. Bottomley—in his despicable weekly and perhaps in his Sunday articles has been violently anti-American. There is this penny trumpet now attacking the *Daily Press*, and here and there is one led by them or their like. But the real British feeling towards America and Americans, so far as such a thing can be racially summarised, is really and truly friendly. Please believe me. I honestly believe there is more anti-British prejudice in the States than there is anti-American prejudice among my folk, and you, as Americans, know that that anti-British prejudice in your country has been exaggerated by these evil thinkers and mischief-makers. Right here in Hongkong I can see we are going to have the liveliest kind of business competition. Your people are so hustling and enterprising. You take more chances than we care to do. Well now, some of my people are going to feel this pressure, and some of them—the meaner kind—are going to squeal about it, in the manner of this human gartersnake I've been chastising. They will pose as patriots, as John Bulls. Do not be impressed by them. They are not us, the bulk of the people. They are not at all like us.

To my decent fellow countrymen I scarcely need say anything more. Those who have done me the honour to read these notes attentively, even if they had natural prejudices before without thinking much about them, will recognize that I am not a bad citizen, not a disloyalist, but rather the contrary. They will get my drift. To "A Mere Britisher" and his like, who are sure to trot out the old legends at me as a Bolsheviki, a Socialist, a Crank, a Traitor, a Mischiefmaker, it is useless to say

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

My dear Children,

You will all have heard a great deal this week about St. Andrew's Day, on November 30 and I daresay many of you have seen the big St. Andrew's Cross outside the City Hall.

In pictures of St. Andrew, the patron saint of Scotland, you will always see him as an old man with long white hair and a beard, holding a Bible in his hand and leaning on a cross shaped like the letter X, which is always called St. Andrew's Cross and you probably know from the Union Jack that this cross is blue on a white ground.

I wonder, by the way, how many of you can draw and paint the Union Jack? It is not nearly as easy as you might think.

Your loving,
PETER PAN.

How many of you know this old riddle?

"As I was going over Westminster Bridge
I met a Westminster scholar,
He took off his hat and drew off his glove,
Pray tell me the name of this scholar."

I'm to blame for I've told you his name!
Answer, Andrew.

A LEGEND OF THE STARS.

There are some extraordinary stories and legends about the stars. In one of them we are told that seven stars are made from the shining hair of a beautiful woman called Berenice.

She was the wife of an ancient Egyptian king, Ptolemy III, and her husband went to Asia to fight. Berenice made up her mind to sacrifice her hair to the gods if her husband came back a conqueror. So she cut off her hair and hung it up in the temple of the war-god, but the next morning it was discovered that it had been stolen. No one knew what had happened to it until the king came back and then he was told that the wind had wafted it to heaven. There it divided into seven pieces and became seven stars near the tail of the constellation Leo, the Lion.

Of course this is only a legend but these stars are always known as "Coma Berenice."

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

C. James.—Many thanks for your interesting postcard of an aero-lane. I am so glad that you liked the pen knife.

I wonder if you all know that your name usually had a meaning and if so what that meaning is? If any of you care to write and ask me what your name means I will try and find it out (though I cannot promise that I shall know all of them.) Here are a few examples and I know that some of these belong to my readers because of the letters which I have had from you at different times.

Edna—pleasure.
Elsa—God of the oath.
Hilary—cheerful.
Richard—stern king.
Charles—strong, manly.
Joyce—sportive.

The total result of yesterday's street sale of roses was \$2,480 which is about \$200 more than was realised last year and does not include a donation of \$1,000 by Sir Paul Chater. The ladies who assisted in yesterday's effort were: Miss D. Dillon, Miss M. Murray, Miss L. Murray, Miss L. Tse-yan, Miss V. Stanley, Miss L. Collaco, Miss K. Simmons, Miss B. Steel, Miss M. Hanson, Miss B. Pearson, Miss K. McEwan, Miss O. Basto, Miss A. Alves, Miss G. Souza, Miss M. Dillon, Miss M. Basto, Miss J. Foulds, Miss P. Ruttonjee, Miss N. McEwan, Miss M. Mackenzie, Miss A. Perpetuo, Mrs. Burden, Miss N. Burden, Miss H. Jorge, Miss L. Choa, Miss V. Wilkinson, Miss M. Marriott, Miss B. Hardwick, Miss G. Johnson, Miss C. Osmund, Miss M. Gantall, Miss C. Stonham, Miss M. Davitt, Miss Wildin, Miss A. Dillon, Miss A. Barnes, Mrs. Law, Mrs. Rodenfußer, Miss Bowen, Mrs. Marcol, Mrs. Cruickshank, Mrs. H. Davies, Mrs. Hardwick and Mrs. B. Basto.

anything at all; but I will tell them this, that if they are minded to complain of my plain speaking, they had better save their breath to cool their porridge, for 'tis the back of my hand and the tail of my coat only I have to offer them at any time, I dislike them so. God wants me to love my enemies, but sure He would not be after expecting me to sleep peacefully under the same roof with His, not and me knowing it. I wish I had "A Mere Britisher" for me now, and Dunville's old haddock in my hand. I'd show them. I would so.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

All firms clubs, etc., who have not yet returned particulars for insertion in the Dollar Directory are requested to do so immediately to No. 5, Wyndham Street. Particulars of new firms etc., will be gladly received for inclusion in the Directory.

Captain G. A. V. Noel, R. G. A. has been appointed next week's Field Officer.

Mr. Chow Shou-sai is appointed unofficial M.L.C. in Mr. Ho Fook's place.

On Monday morning Messrs. Lammert Bros. will sell a consignment of sporting goods.

Mr. Percy Burn is appointed Assistant S.C.A. and Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

Judge Skinner Turner of Shanghai is appointed a member of the Full Court of Hongkong.

The Gazette gives a lot of new regulations affecting electricity supplies—pages and pages of 'em.

Volunteer promotions gazetted are: 2nd Lieut. T. W. Hill to be Lieut. Sgt. S. E. Grimstone to be 2nd Lieut.

Mr. G. N. Orme is appointed Estate Duty Commissioner, Official Receiver, and Registrar of Trade Marks and Patents.

Property in Wyndham, Shanghai and Portland Streets will be put up for auction on Monday afternoon by Messrs. Lammert Bros. under instructions from the Supreme Court.

Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll on Oct. 22 opened a ward in Charing Cross Hospital, which has been endowed by the Shanghai Race Club. Mr. A. W. Burdett represented the club at the function.

A new work by the clever young composer, Miss Dorothy Howell, was given a first performance at the Queen's Hall Promenade Concerts on October 21. It is described as "a ballet founded on the old Chinese legend of the willow-pattern plate," and illustrates the love-story of Koong Shue and Chang and their tragic death.

Lloyd's List reports an interesting risk of a political character placed at Lloyd's within the past few days. In it the underwriters agree, in consideration of the payment of five guineas per cent, to "pay a total loss in event of declaration and/or state of war and/or outbreak of hostilities between Japan and U. S. A. on or before Dec. 31, 1922."

A notice in our advertising columns announces that a free lecture on Christian Science will be delivered by Mr. John C. Lathrop, C.S.B., of Brookline, Mass., a member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., at the City Hall in the Chamber of Commerce Room, on Thursday, December 8 at 5.30 p.m. All are cordially invited to attend.

A Court of enquiry will assemble at the Military Hospital, Kowloon, at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 6 to investigate and report on a fire which occurred in the barracks belonging to the Military Hospital, Kowloon, on November 30. The court will be comprised as follows:—President: Major G. de S. H. Middlemass, 212nd Pundjab, members: captain of the H.K.S. R.G.A., the D.O.R.E. Mainland Section, and the Officer in charge of the Barracks.

The following extract from a letter from the Straits tells its own tale:—"Raw rubber is surely cheap enough now and yet consumption does not increase. The trouble is that the manufactured articles is not cheap. I inquired about rubber tiles lately, and found the cost per square yard to be \$15. At most 5 lb. raw rubber is used, costing, say, \$1.50. If those manufacturers got their raw rubber for nothing the cost of the finished article would still be prohibitive!"

Before Magistrate Wood yesterday, an ex-Chinese constable was charged with having impersonated a policeman and demanded money with menaces. A coolie living at No. 386 Queen's Road West said the accused visited him on December 1, and demanded \$7 representing himself to be a police constable. A number of men in the house seized the accused and tied him to a bunk while the police were summoned. Accused denied the charge. He said he had given a man named Ah Wing twenty cents to buy "chow" and went to the house to get the money back. Whilst there he was seized and tied to the bunk. He was then accused of demanding money by false pretences. The Magistrate remanded the case in order to give accused a chance of finding the man Ah Wing.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

FURTHER REFUTATION OF CHARGES.

Respecting the article in *The Century* by Major E. Alexander Powell, making serious allegations against the administration of the British North Borneo Co., a cable from the Governor of North Borneo records Lord Northcliffe's opinion on the way the welfare of the people is safeguarded by the Court of Directors. The cable is as follows:—"Lord Northcliffe at Sandakan yesterday inspected the hospital, the Law Courts, leper settlement and the jail, and visited the town church, sawmills, etc. He desires me to express his pleasure at finding the welfare of the people so keenly safeguarded by the Court of Directors and at the efficiency of several prominent commercial undertakings he witnessed. Speaking at a dinner at Government House, he said he was convinced that the country had a great future and immense potentialities. The country deserved to be more widely known and needed publicity."

BANK ROBBERY.

MYSTERIOUS WEST POINT AFFAIR.

A Wing Lok Street hawker named Wong Ki Tung, living at No. 29, Eastern Street was riding home in his private chair along Eastern Street about 8.25 p.m., yesterday, when between First and Second Streets an unknown man came up on the right and without any warning stabbed him in the cheek with a dagger. The banker called out "save life," whereupon the man ran away, leaving the dagger in the wound. Wong was taken to the Government Civil Hospital by his coolies. He has no clue as to the cause of the attack.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

DANTE CENTENARY CELEBRATION.

A CONCERT will be held at the Theatre Royal on WEDNESDAY, the 7th December at 9.15 p.m. in connection with the above Celebration to which all those interested are cordially invited. A lecture on Dante will be delivered by Mr. G. P. de Martin M.R.E., B.A. Hongkong, December 3, 1921.

A FREE LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

By JOHN C. LATHROP, C.S.B. of Brookline, Mass. Member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church The First Church of Christ Scientist, Boston, Mass. will be given in the CITY HALL Chamber of Commerce Room THURSDAY, 8th December 1921, at 5.30 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend.

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ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

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THE REGATTA announced to be held at Repulse Bay on 10th December 1921, has been postponed until a later date.

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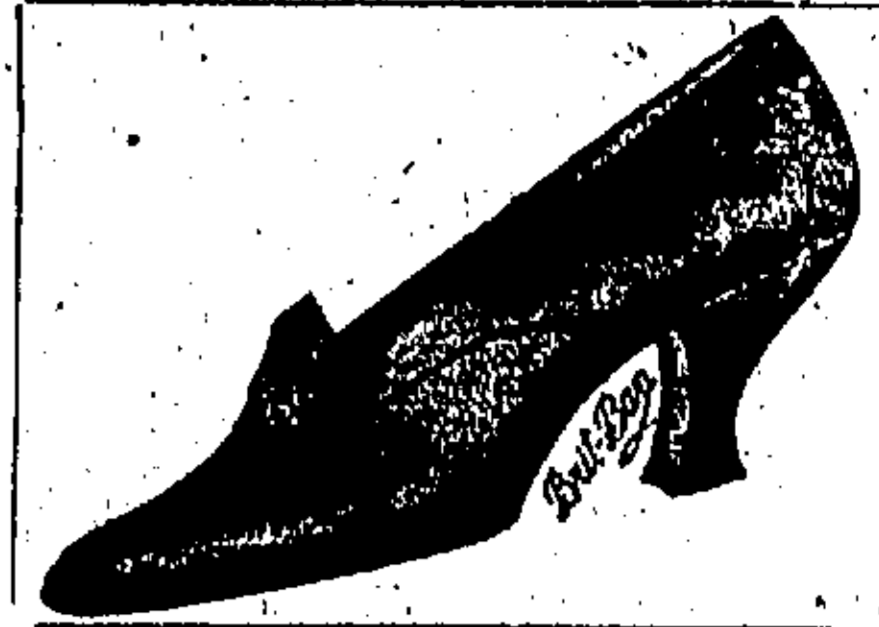
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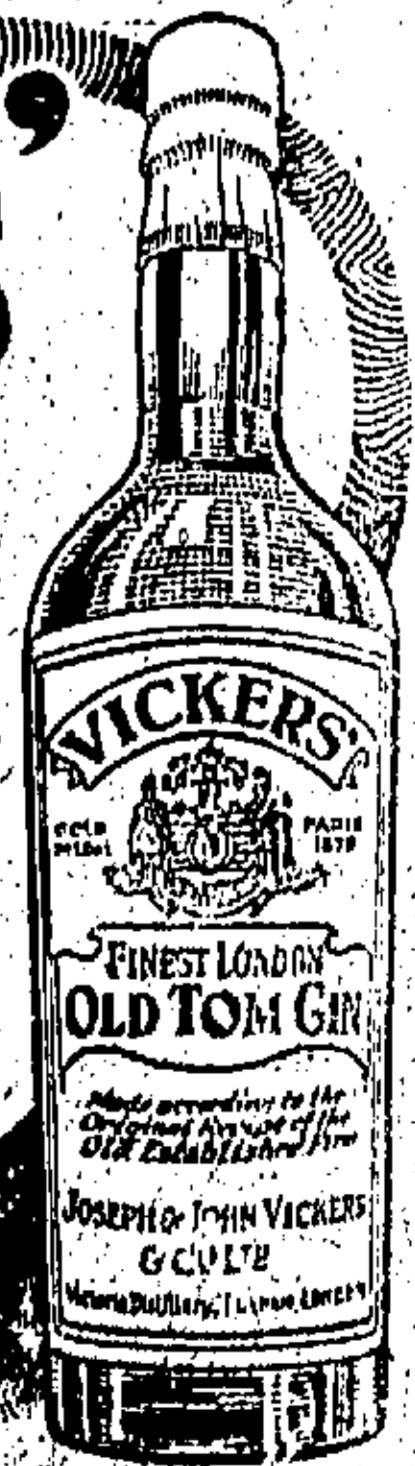
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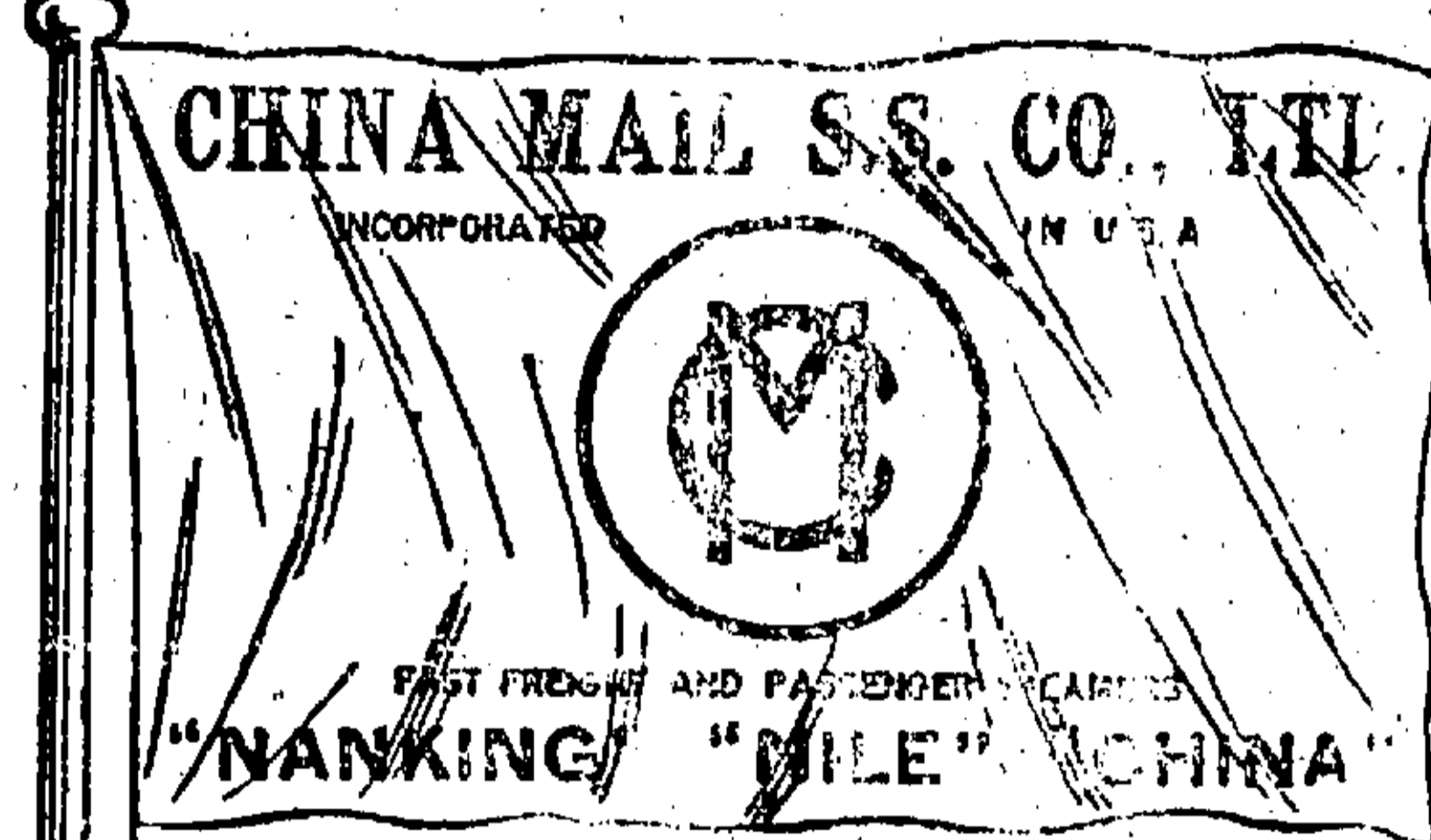
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23—P. & O.	Dunora.
23—B. F.	Yangtze.
31—B. F.	Yankee.
Jan. 2—B. F.	Lyacon.
9—B. F.	Eurylochus.
9—B. F.	Helenus.
13—B. F.	Myrmidon.
17—P. & O.	Egypt.
18—B. F.	City of Cambridge.
Feb. 9—B. F.	Kecum.

FROM JAPAN.

Dec. 5—P. & O.	Lahore.
6—B. F.	Araodon Apar.
6—B. F.	Orates.
8—P. & O.	Somali.
8—J.C.J.L.	Tibodas.
8—N.Y.K.	Hakone Maru.
10—E. & A.	Eastern.
13—B. F.	Trebeina.
14—J.C.J.L.	Tibid.
14—B. F.	Tanda.
19—B. F.	Bellerophon.
21—P. & O.	Nellere.
28—B. F.	Takada.
Jan. 6—P. & O.	Dongola.
7—B. F.	Araodon.
15—B. F.	Eurylochus.
19—B. F.	Kashmir.
20—P. & O.	Cyclops.
31—B. F.	Tecor.
Feb. 13—B. F.	Calchas.
20—B. F.	Pyrrhus.
Mar. 2—P. & O.	Kashgar.
15—P. & O.	Menar.
27—B. F.	Devanah.
31—P. & O.	Novara.
Apr. 14—P. & O.	Novara.
24—B. F.	Telesias.
28—P. & O.	Kalyan.
May 13—P. & O.	Plasey.
26—P. & O.	Dongola.

FROM MANILA.

Dec. 8—B. F.	Tallybus.
29—B. F.	Tyndarus.
Jan. 27—B. F.	Proteus.
Feb. 17—B. F.	Ixon.
Mar. 10—B. F.	Tallybus.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Dec. 4—P. M.	Empire State.
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FROM JAVA.

Dec. 11—J.C.J.L.	Methven.
14—J.C.J.L.	Tjimonok.
18—J.C.J.L.	Tjimonok.
18—J.C.J.L.	Tjimonok.

FROM BOMBAY.

Dec. 10—P. & O.	Dunora.
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FROM CALCUTTA.

Dec. 7—B. F.	Takada.
9—N. Y. K.	Yamagata Maru.

FROM MELBOURNE & SYDNEY

Dec. 19—E. & A.	Araodon.
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FROM VANCOUVER.

Dec. 14—B. F.	Tyndarus.
Jan. 12—B. F.	Proteus.
Feb. 2—B. F.	Ixon.
23—B. F.	Tallybus.
Mar. 16—B. F.	Tyndarus.
Apr. 13—B. F.	Proteus.

FROM SEATTLE.

Dec. 5—P. M.	Golden State.
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FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

Dec. 9—T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
18—J.C.J.L.	Sinaloa.

FROM LONDON.

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Dec. 10.—N. Y. K.	Mishima Maru.
11—G. L.	Glenary.
12.—P. & O.	Dongola.
14.—G. L.	Glenegyle.
20.—P. & O.	Rashmir.
21.—G. L.	Glenluce.
22.—N. Y. K.	Sado Maru.
27.—P. & O.	Egypt.
Jan. 17.—P. & O.	Nagoya.
31.—P. & O.	Kashgar.
Feb. 14.—P. & O.	Kharkov.
22.—P. & O.	Deranha.
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SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

The idea for this Sunday is again found in the Epistle. The subject brought before us is that of all the holy writings which have been written for the edification of Christians and especially the books of the Bible.

Many have made this Sunday the opportunity for speaking on Holy Scripture and its revelation of God in our churches, and often donations are made towards societies which exist for the translation of the Bible into various languages. The indiscriminate publishing of the Bible, which is the Handbook of the Church, is not encouraged so much as it was a few years ago, but whatever are our ideas on the subject, we, as Christians, can still think at this time of our special commission to hand on God's Word to everyone by preaching the Gospel to every creature.

The Epistle dwells on Our Lord's two-fold mission to Jew and Gentile, showing that we have to hand on the Christian revelation, not only to those of our own kind and kin and nation, but to the whole world. The Collects of Advent are remarkably well known and often form the subjects of Advent addresses; this collect for the second Sunday is perhaps as well known as any other collect in the Prayer Book. The Gospel again dwells on a "coming" of Christ, although we of to-day do not see in it a prophecy of the second Advent of the Last Day alone, but rather a prediction of the final close of the old dispensation and the destruction of Jerusalem as a simile of the great coming. The early Christians, no doubt, thought that the passage foretold only the end of the world and a speedy return of their Lord; but we, looking at history subsequent to Our Lord's Ascension, see in the words a picture of the Judgment Day, and its anti-type, the downfall of Jerusalem.

Monday is the Feast of St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra in Lycia A.D. 342. From his name we get Santa Claus (S. N. Claus). He is regarded as the patron saint of children and of sailors. About A.D. 430, the Emperor Justinian erected a church to his memory at Constantinople. The medieval pageant of the "Boy-Bishop" began on St. Nicholas's day, and lasted till Childermas, or Holy Innocents' day.

Next Wednesday is the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This commemoration may be considered together with that of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, September 8. The design of both commemorations is to call attention to the immediate preparation for the Incarnation of Our Lord. The close association of the Blessed Virgin with her Divine Son gives her undoubted right to special commemoration; and this is done not only by the festivals of the Annunciation and the Purification, but also by the minor commemorations of her Conception, her Nativity, and her Visitation to Elizabeth. The only birthdays of saints named in the Calendar are those of the Baptist and the Mother of our Lord, both of whom were associated with His birth. As the human agent in the mystery of the Incarnation, the Conception and Nativity of the Virgin Mother were events of momentous importance. Her birth was the coming of one through whose agency the Eternal Son would take our nature, and reveal Himself to mankind. The remembrance of St. Anne (July 26) the mother of the Blessed Virgin, carries the idea of preparation for the Incarnation back to a previous stage of thought, in contemplating the mystery. The feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin appears to have originated in England, amongst the monks of Winchester, before the eleventh century.

The organist of St. Peter's Church together with Miss Mow Fung, Miss Fincher, Mr. Hagger and Mr. Anis are to be congratulated on the fine musical recital, given last Sunday evening. There was a good attendance, and those present gave gener-

ously towards the Organ Fund. Below is the programme rendered.

Salut D'Amour Elgar.
Duet (Soprano & Tenor) Love Divine (Daughter of Jairus) Stainer.
Hymne Celeste Grey.
Solo (Tenor) King Ever
Glorious Recit & Air (Bass) "And as
Moses" Stainer's.
Quartet "God so loved the World" Crucifixion.
Nuptial Postlude Grey.
Duet (Tenor and Bass) "So Thou Littest" Stainer.
March in G Smart.

The Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral Mr. H. Copley Moyle, is expected back to-day by the Empress boat; so that, all being well, he will be officiating at services to-morrow. He has been on home leave for 8 months and we shall all be very glad to see him back again.

Some people seem to think that the collects used in Church services were made by various puritan leaders at the time of the Reformation, but this is incorrect. The collects, like the services of our Prayer Book, were gathered from all kinds of ancient sources, so that our services of P. & R. reformation times are very little different from those Pre-Reformation days.

Certainly some collects are fairly modern, four probably being as late as 1662, but the large majority are taken from the ancient Sacramentaries of Leo the Great (fifth century), of Gelasius, Bishop of Rome (fifth century) and of Gregory the Great (sixth century).

Collects are peculiar to the Western Church: in the Eastern Church prayers are longer and more ornate, somewhat resembling those of non-episcopal bodies.

The word collects may come from the Latin "collecta" (a gathering together) or it may be a contraction of "cum lectione" (accompanying the reading of scripture). If the former derivation be adopted, the word may mean either a summary of the teaching of the service, which is most probable, or a prayer used at the gathering together of the worshippers.

The English Church Union held a two days conference at York during the last week in September. The Union consists for the most part of Anglicans who bind themselves together to uplift the level of our sacramental worship, and it has undoubtedly done much of late years to raise the dignity of Church services.

Although the Church is reforming herself gradually, yet the work is slow and very aggravating to those enthusiasts who long for a Church unfettered by unreasonable regulations of the past.

By the Episcopal Pensions Act a retiring bishop is allowed either £2,000 a year or one third of the income of the See, whichever may be the larger sum. It is a good thing that this rule does not apply to our Bishop of Victoria. Yet, although such an act is allowed to remain, it is difficult to raise to a minimum of £400 a year the income of clergy doing full work, and a pension of £200 a year for clergy is very scarce. Are the domestic expenses of a retired bishop necessarily greater than those of a retired parish priest?

The payment of £1,500 from the See of Peterborough to a retired bishop, not actually in need of it, did harm to the work of his successor, and retarded the formation of the See of Leicester; this is only one case of many. Surely it is time the churchmen lifted up a loud voice of protest and condemnation.

This year is the seven-hundredth anniversary of the death of St. Dominic, the branch of whose order did so much in England in the years of the past. The great part of the work of the Dominican friar preachers

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FERRIER DEFEAT DEWAR.

Commenting on the result of the Shanghai Championship final at Kiangwan, the N.C. Daily News says that J. B. Ferrier's defeat of Capt. J. Dewar did not come as a surprise, but it was a huge shock that he came out best against such a fine player by 11 up and 10 to play, which is believed to be a record score for the Championship. As the match went there was scarcely any excitement, for, until it came to putting, both men played with such coolness and precision that it reminded one as much as anything of a professional billiard match—everything looked so very simple.

Dewar, however, was persistently outdriven and could not get his length on the greens, running short as often as he was too strong. On the other hand, nothing seemed to worry Ferrier and, though he said the greens, under the drying sun and wind, were very fiery, this fact did not interfere greatly with his putting. Both were troubled a good deal by tricky wind and it says much for their ability that not a single drive fell really badly on the course, though each put one out of bounds.

W GERMAN FLAG.

A new flag has been designed for the German mercantile marine. Winston Churchill has a letter in the current *Government Gazette* about it. Mentions that German ships may fly either old or new up to Jan. 1 next. (After which, inferentially, the new one will be regular). The new one is rectangular, with three horizontal stripes, black, white and red. Next the staff, in the black stripe, are inset the national colours, black red and yellow, with an outer upright strip of white for definition. Where the skipper is a retired naval officer, he will fly this flag with an "admiral's cross" superimposed.

was done in the thirteenth century, while their poverty was still a sign of their zeal, and while the sacred study, in which the greatest of the medieval theologians were trained, still flourished in their convents. The influence which they had obtained during this period was responsible for the favour which was shown them by the later Plantagenet kings. When the Reformation came they showed no heroic anxiety to defend themselves against spoliation, and this fact, together with the partial withdrawal of royal patronage, caused the order to sink into comparative insignificance.

When Dr. Gore resigned his bishopric many thought that he would retire from public activity and emerge only occasionally. Instead, however, he has become more powerful than ever as a burning fire-brand uttering most outspoken words on the necessities of our Church.

While so many of our leaders are afraid to say much on the question of national Christianity, it is refreshing to find Dr. Gore attacking the system with cutting words. Speaking before the Labour Organisations at Bradford he said: "I hate Established Churches, because whenever Christianity becomes an established religion and a man must belong to it as a matter of course, you eliminate the necessity for personal choice and adopt the method which is exactly opposite to the method of Jesus." He had been speaking of the conversion of the Empire in A.D. 303, preferring to call it the perversion of Christianity, because since it then cost a man nothing to be a Christian the moral level of Christianity dropped to the level of to-day.

Most earnest churchmen heartily endorse such sentiments and long for the time when this wretched state of modern religion may be changed. It is a noteworthy fact that even though organised Christianity is reviled the sacred person of Jesus is everywhere esteemed.

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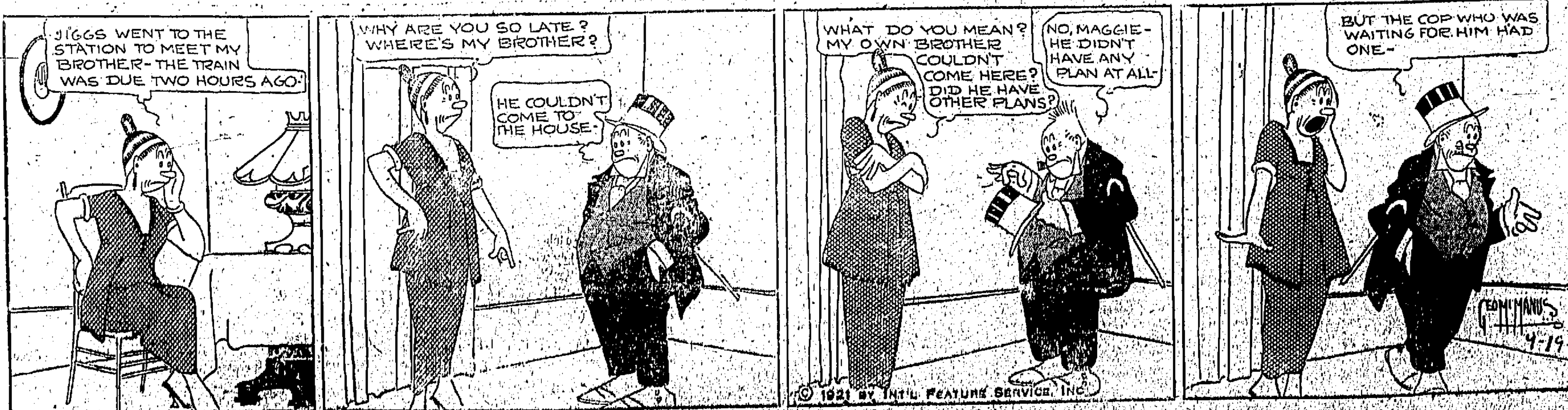
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